EPA SLN No. OH080002

NOTE TO FILE

date: 3/12/2010

from: Tom Harris, RD/IRB re: history of Treeage SLNs

Treeage is a 4.0% liquid formulation of emamectin benzoate. The product is used straight or mixed with water, poured into commercial tree injection equipment, and injected into trees.

The Sec 3 application for 100-RGNO was received from Syngenta on 12/21/2007 for a general use product to be used on a variety of ornamental trees to control a variety of pests. The product was registered on 7/11/2009 as an RUP for use on ash trees only to control emerald ash borer. A subsequent amendment was approved 11/13/2009 adding a 2-year efficacy claim. A minor amendment was approved 3/24/2010 to remove stray text referring to non-ash sites.

On 3/27/2008 EPA received the first SLN application (WV080002). This was followed over the next year by similar SLNs in IL, IN, KY, MD, MI, MN, MO, OH, PA, VA, and WI. Even though the Sec 3 was not yet registered there was much interest in the product to control Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), an imported pest which had gained quarantine pest status. There were few alternatives (imidacloprid and dinotefuran will also control EAB; see those files for exactly when the chemical was registered for this use) and emamectin provided excellent and long lasting control.

To handle this unusual situation (an SLN on a unregistered Sec 3 product) we came up with the following approach. The product container was labeled with a minimal label with basic identification, handling, disposal statements, and a reference to see any applicable state label. There were no application instructions on the product container; instead, the SLN detailed the application instructions. Both container and SLN labels were general use.

When the Sec 3 was finally registered it was as a restricted use pesticide (RUP) due to acute tox to worker (eye II). Application was restricted to ash trees for EAB. Essentially, the accepted Sec 3 label duplicated the SLNs and eliminated the need for separate SLNs. However, Syngenta did not want to go into full scale production until a 2-year efficacy claim was added to the label. They had attempted to include this claim from the beginning but satisfactory efficacy data was not submitted until Fall 2009 with the resulting label approved on 11/13/2009. At this point, Syngenta had what they considered a marketable product but a contract agreement called for the end-use product to be actually marketed by a distributor, Arborjet. Due to contract negotiations and Arbojet's production schedule, final product was not anticipated to be available until summer 2010.

This was presenting a problem since a) some of the SLNs had expired, and b) EPA policy is that an SLN should be cancelled as soon as the use is registered on a Sec 3 product. This was further complicated by the fact that the Sec 3 product is a Restricted Use Pesticide. None of the initial product generic labels nor SLN labels were RUP and in fact some product had been sold to non-certified applicators.

After further discussion between EPA, Syngenta, and the states, Syngenta finally agreed to move up production of the Arborjet product so that it would be available to distributors in Spring 2010. Syngenta also pulled back all unsold product with the generic (no application instruction) labels from dealers. Finally, Syngenta agreed to exchange any product already in the hands of distributors or end-users for new, RUP labeled Sec 3 product. The SLNs were cancelled by Syngenta on 3/12/2010. Some states (eg. WI) have prepared Fact Sheets to communicate the situation to users. While it is possible that some confusion may continue and old product be used (illegally) during 2010, the situation should resolve itself when the limited supply of old product already in the user's hands is used up and the new Sec 3 RUP Arborjet product is sold.

At this time, Syngenta is pursuing expansion of the label to other trees. The key issue is the effect on pollinators. Given the 2-year efficacy this will be tricky. Studies will need to demonstrate how emamectin distributes in the tree and if pollinators are exposed to a toxic dose.

Treeage - emamectin, tree injection for Emerald Ash Borer Sec 3 (100-1309) registered 7/11/2009

Summary Report

expiration date

Registration #	Name	Status	Restricted Use Product	Company #	Company Name	Percent Active Ingredient	Active Ingredient
IL080001	TREEAGE- AGE	Under Review (16-Apr-2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expires 4/1	5/2013 in
IN080001	TREE-AGE	Under Review (25-Mar- 2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 no expiration	on given 1
KY090029	TREE-AGE	Under Review (09-Jun-2009)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expired 12/3	31/09 in
MD090001	TREE-AGE	Under Review (26-Feb-2009)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expired 12/3	31/09 in
MI080001	TREE-AGE	Under Review (28-Mar- 2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expires 12/3	31/14 in
MN080009	TREE-AGE	Under Review (03-Jul-2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 no expiratio	n given in
MO080006	TREE-AGE	Under Review (21-Nov- 2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 no expiration	n given lin
ОН080002	TREE-AGE	Under Review (25-Mar- 2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 no expiration	n given tin
PA090001	TREE-AGE	Under Review (02-Jan-2009)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expires 12/3	1/2014 in
VA080008	TREEAGE- AGE	Under Review (18-Nov- 2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expires 12/3	1/10 ? in

OPPIN Query 3/9/2010, expirations edited 3/11/10

WI080005	TREE-AGE	Under Review (18-Nov- 2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expired 12/31/09 tin
WV080002	TREE-AGE	Under Review (28-Mar- 2008)	N	100	SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.	4 expires 12/31/10 ? tin

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March 12, 2010

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Pesticide Regulation Section
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8995 East Main Street
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SUBJECT:

TREE-äge ™ (EPA Reg. No. 100-1309)

EPA SLN No. OH-080002 Cancellation of Section 24(c)

Active Ingredient: Emamectin Benzoate

Dear Mr. Goodman:

Syngenta Crop Protection is requesting immediate cancellation of the subject Section 24(c).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Larry Zang

Senior Regulatory Manager

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EFFICACY REVIEW

PRODUCT:

Tree-Age (100-RGNO)

24(c) NUMBER:

WV-080002

OH-080002

DATE:

April 18, 2008

GLP:

N/A

BARCODE:

D351729 (WV)

D351728 (OH)

DECISION:

391842 (WV)

391838 (OH)

CHEMICAL:

Emamectin benzoate (4%)

CHEMICAL NUMBER:

122806

PURPOSE:

Review data to support the acceptance of two SLN labels

for the control of emerald ash borers.

MRIDS:

N/A

TEAM REVIEWER:

Tom Harris

EFFICACY REVIEWER: Kable Bo Davis, M.S., Entomologist

SECONDARY

EFFICACY REVIEWER: Joanne Edwards, M.S., Entomologist

BACKGROUND:

Tree-Age (File Symbol 100-RGNO) is a pending (PRIA due date: July 9, 2009) injected insecticide intended for the control of various arthropod pests in trees. Both Ohio and West Virginia are requesting the acceptance of 24(c) labels for the control of emerald ash borers.

The application rate ranges from 15-50 ml per tree for trees with a diameter of 4-6 inches to 355-1065 ml per tree for trees with a diameter of 70-72 inches. These rates are identical on both 24(c) labels and are consistent with what is found on the currently pending section 3 label.

DATA REVIEW:

The following data review is comprised of explanations of materials and methods, and a summation of experimental results containing tables with reformatted data.

Ohio Efficacy Submission

Michigan State University; 2007-

The objective of this study was to assess the effectiveness of emamectin benzoate, applied as a trunk injection, for the control of emerald ash borers (Agrilus planipennis). The experimental design consisted of establishing three different test sites (25 randomized blocks) containing trees of varying size and growing conditions. Trees were treated with one of six pesticides (see Table 1). There were ~6 to 12 trees per treatment at each test site. Foliage samples were taken in mid June, early July, late July and mid August. All leaves were frozen immediately upon removal.

Table 1. Pesticides Tested; 2007 Michigan State University

PRODUCT	A.I.	APPLICATION METHOD	DATE APPLIED	RATE (g a.i./DBH inch)
Control	•	-	-	-
Imicide (10%)	Imidacloprid	Trunk Injection	May 22	0.06
Macho 2F (21.4%)	Imidacloprid	Trunk Spray	May 4	1.70
Macho 2F + Pentra- Bark	Imidacloprid	Trunk Spray	May 4	1.70
Safari (20%)	Dinotefuran	Trunk Spray	May 31	1.70
Safari + Pentra-Bark	Dinotefuran	Trunk Spray	May 31	1.70
Emamectin benzoate	Emamectin benzoate	Trunk Injection	May 22	0.10 for dbh ≤ 6.5" 0.15 for dbh 6.5-10" 0.20 for dbh ≥10"

Adult Efficacy-

To determine adult mortality, bioassays were conducted in mid June, early July and late July. Adult beetles were introduced to cages containing treated leaves (3 beetles per leaf). Observations on mortality were taken daily for four days.

Larval Density-

To determine larval density, trees from two different sites (49 total trees) were cut down and debarked in late September.

Results-

Adult Efficacy-

The percent mortality of emerald ash borers exposed to leaves taken from trees treated with emamectin benzoate was 100% in all three bioassay periods. The highest percent mortality of beetles exposed to trees treated with imidacloprid or dinotefuran was 81% and was during the June bioassay.

Larval Density-

Emamectin benzoate provided >99% control of emerald ash borer larvae, relative to untreated controls. There were no more than 3 live larvae on any of the trees. This is in comparison to the larval densities of 14-75 larvae per m2 (site 1) and 37-62 larvae per m2 (site 2) for trees treated with either imidacloprid or dinotefuran.

West Virginia Efficacy Submission

Michigan State University; 2007 (Adrian, MI)-

The objective of this study was to assess the effectiveness of a variety of different pesticides for the control of emerald ash borers. The experimental design consisted of treating trees with one of twenty different treatments (plus 1 control). All trees were between 14 and 28 years old and ranged in diameter from 6 to 26 inches (DBH). Each treatment was replicated a total of ten times, with each replicate consisting of an individual tree.

Canopy dieback ratings were taken on July 12, 2007 and were calculated by comparing the canopies with photographs in various stages of decline (0% = healthy; 100% = dead; 5% increments). Between the dates of October 15 and 19, 2007, branches from the upper 1/3 of the tree canopy were removed and examined for new galleries and live larvae.

Results-

Table 2. Results of Trees Treated with Emamectin Benzoate (Adrian, MI)¹

Chemical	Application Type	Rate g ai/DBH inch	Application Date	2007 Dieback	New Galleries (per m²)	Larval Count
Emamectin Benzoate (4%)	Trunk Injection (0.4 g ai/dbh inch)	0.4	June 22, 2006	5.5%	2.4	2.4
Control	-	-	- 3	16%	8.3	6.3

results of remaining treatments not in table

The tree treated with emamectin benzoate had the greatest reduction in dieback (5.5% dieback) due to emerald ash borers as compared to the control (16% dieback). The remaining treatments had 2007 dieback ranging from 9.8% (Merit 75 WP; ImaJet (5%) + Merit 75 WP) to 38.0% (Xytect 75 WSP + Xytect Infusable (5%)).

The tree treated with emamectin benzoate had the second lowest number of new galleries (2.4 per m²) as compared to the control (8.3 per m²). In addition, an average of 2.4 larvae was found on branches treated with emamectin benzoate as compared to an average of 6.3 larvae found on the control branches.

Michigan State University; 2007 (East Lansing, MI)-

The objective of this study was to assess the effectiveness of a variety of different pesticides for the control of emerald ash borers. The experimental design consisted of treating trees with one of 23 different treatments (plus 1 control). All trees were between 14 and 28 years old and ranged in diameter from 10 to 24 inches (DBH). Each treatment was replicated a total of ten times, with each replicate consisting of an individual tree. For details on emamectin benzoate treatments see Table 3 below.

Canopy dieback ratings were taken on July 6, 2007 and were calculated by comparing the canopies with photographs in various stages of decline (0% = healthy; 100% = dead; 5% increments). Between the dates of October 8 and 12, 2007, branches

from the upper 1/3 of the tree canopy were removed and examined for new galleries and live larvae.

Table 3. Details for Emamectin Benzoate Treatments

	Application Rate	Application Date
Treatment 1	0.4 g ai/dbh inch (1:1 water ratio)	Sept. 27, 2005
Treatment 2	0.4 g ai/dbh inch (1:5 water ratio)	Sept. 28, 2005
Treatment 23	0.1 g ai/dbh inch	May 21, 2007
Treatment 24	0.2 g ai/dbh inch	May 21, 2007

Results-

Table 4. Results of Trees Treated with Emamectin Benzoate (East Lansing,

	2006 Dieback	2007 Dieback
Treatment 1 ^a	7.3%	12.9%
Treatment 2 ^a	12.5%	9.9%
Treatment 23 ^a	20.3%	17.4%
Treatment 24 ^a	18.5%	23.1%
Control	16.0%	28.8%

a see Table 3

The 2007 diebacks for trees treated with emamectin benzoate 4% ranged from 9.9% (Treatment 2) to 23.1% (Treatment 24) as compared to 28.8% for the untreated control.

Table 5. Results (2007) of Trees Treated with Emamectin Benzoate (East Lansing, MI)^b

	Larval Count	New Galleries (per m ²)
Treatment 1 ^a	0.0	0.0
Treatment 23 ^a	0.0	0.0
Treatment 24 ^a	0.0	0.6
Control	19.3	19.9

a see Table 3

All of the trees treated with emamectin benzoate 4% had the lowest numbers for both larval counts (0.0) and new galleries (0.0-0.6) compared to both the control and all of the other treatments.

b results of remaining treatments not in table

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

The submitted data support the acceptance of both WV-080002 and OH-080002 labels intended for the control of emerald ash borers in Ash trees (tree injection only). The following recommendation applies:

1. The labels state that the "recommended rate" for treatments targeted for emerald ash borers range from low to high, however it doesn't provide guidance as to when it is appropriate to use the "low" or "high" rate. This should be explained in more detail.



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

March 25, 2008

OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Ohio Department of Agriculture Plant Industry Div. - Pesticide Reg. 8995 East Main Street Reynoldsburg, OH 43068P.O. Box 630

ATTN: William B. Goodman, Manager

Dear State Agency:

The Office of Pesticide Programs acknowledges receipt of the Section 24(c) application/notification for OH080002.

The package is being forwarded to the Product Manager for review.

To ensure that the Agency receives proper notification of your 24(c) applications/notifications it is necessary to use the correct mailing address. All new 24(c) applications should be sent to the following:

Document Processing Desk (SLN)
Office of Pesticide Programs -7504P
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

If you have any questions concerning the administrative screening of the package please contact the Front End Unit at (703)305-5780.

Front End Processing Staff

Sincerely,

Information Services Branch

Information Technology & Resources Management Division

STATE OHIO	SLN NO. 0 H 6800 62
DATE REGISTERED: 03-24-08	90-DAY DATE: 06-24-2008
SPECIFIC SPECIAL LOCAL NEED:	_ SITE:
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APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL LOCAL NEED REGISTRATION IN OHIO

FOR THE USE OF TREE-ÄGE[™] FOR CONTROL OF EMERALD ASH BORER IN ASH TREES, TREE INJECTION ONLY

March 20, 2008

Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. P.O. Box 18300 Greensboro, North Carolina 27419



Ohio Department of Agriculture



Governor Ted Strickland Lleutenant Governor Lee Fisher Director Robert Boggs Division of Plant Industry - Pesticide/Fertilizer 8995 East Main Street - Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068 Phone: 614-728-6397 • Fax 614-728-4221 • e-mail: goodman@agri.ohio.gov ODA home page: www.ohioagriculture.gov

March 24, 2008

Document Processing Desk (SLN)
Office of Pesticide Programs 7504P
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D. C. 20460

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Ohio Department of Agriculture's Pesticide Regulation Section is submitting for your review an Application for/Notification of State Registration of a Pesticide to Meet a Specific Local Need for the product TREE-age. You will find the following:

- A completed EPA Form 8570-25;
- An explanation of the necessity for the special local need from Professor Dan Herms, The Ohio State University and from Professor Deborah McCullough, Michigan State University;
- A copy of a label for TREE-age and a booklet on TREE-age; and
- Other information as necessary.

The reason for this request is to control emerald ash borer in the State of Ohio.

Please review the information we have provided, and if you have any questions or would like to discuss this with me, please contact this office at 614-728-6397.

Sincerely,

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

William B. Goodman

Agriculture Inspection Manager

Pesticide Regulation Section

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United States Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Pesticide Programs. Registration Division (7505C)
Washington, DC 20460

Application for/Notification of State Registration of a Pesticide To Meet a Special Local Need (Pursuant to section 24(c) of the Federal Insecticide,

For State Use Only Registration No. Assigned OH-080002

Date Registration Issued

March 24, 2008

	Fungio	cide, an	nd Rodenticide Act as Amended		
1. Name and Address of Applicant for Re	gistration		2. Product is (Check one)		
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. PO Box 18300			EPA-Registered	EPA Registration Number 100-RGNO	
Greensboro, NC 27419	\wedge		New (not EPA-registered)	EPA Company Number	
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(3) To permit use against additional pests.			As appropriate EPA-registered pesticide product is not av		
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(6) Other (specify below) See paragraph 13			9. Has an EPA Registration or Experimental Use Po	ermit for this chemical even been	
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William B. Goodman, Ohio					
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PEST/FERT SECTION

SUBJECT:

TREE-äge ™ (EPA Reg. No. 100-RGNO)

SLN Application for Emerald Ash Borer Control in Ash (Fraxinus spp.)

Active Ingredient: Emamectin Benzoate

Dear Mr. Goodman:

Attached please find a special local need application for the use of TREE-äge for control of emerald ash borer (EAB) in Ash. TREE-äge is especially formulated for application as a tree injection. The active ingredient, emamectin benzoate, is registered in the US as a foliar treatment for insect pest control in vegetables, pome fruits, and cotton. Of the two end-use products, Proclaim® (EPA Reg. No. 100-904) and Denim® (EPA Reg. No. 100-904), Proclaim has been registered and widely used in Ohio for several years.

The justification is there is not another federally registered product as efficacious as TREE-age for control of this APHIS quarantine pest in Ohio.

Efficacy

The efficacy studies supporting this use were conducted by Dr. Deb McCullough of Michigan State University. Field research demonstrates that TREE-age is more efficacious than the current standards against EAB.

TREE-äge Regulatory Status at USEPA

TREE-äge does not currently have a Section 3 registration with EPA. The Section 3 draft label, product chemistry and acute toxicology studies were submitted to EPA on December 20, 2007. These studies were assigned reference (MRID) numbers and passed the front end screen at EPA. The EPA correspondence for the submission is included with this package. In summary, TREE-äge is ready for review at the Agency with a PRIA registration decision scheduled for mid-July 2008. This is well after the optimum tree injection application window of mid-April.

Mr. Bill Goodman March 20, 2008 Page 2

While currently registered Syngenta branded products that contain emamectin benzoate (Proclaim and Denim) are classified for Restricted Use (RU), in the EPA submission for registration for TREE-äge we did not propose RU for this product. Syngenta scientists felt that because of the use pattern as a tree injection there was little or no environmental exposure potential, and since the RU classification for the products noted above was based on ecotoxicity concerns, Syngenta reasoned that it was not necessary for TREE-äge to be classified for RU.

Subsequent discussions with EPA (Thomas Harris in the Insecticide Branch, Registration Division) confirmed that our position was reasonable. In fact, Mr. Harris indicated to Syngenta that no internal EPA ecological risk assessment was deemed necessary for TREE-äge since the EPA staff were comfortable with tree injection technology and the lack of exposure in the environment outside the target tree itself from this application technique. While the final Section 3 registration decision/approval will not occur until July 2008, our discussions with EPA have led us to believe that TREE-äge will not be classified for Restricted Use by EPA.

Please feel free to contact Thomas Harris of EPA's Registration Division at (703) 308-9423 for further discussion on the processing of the registration request for TREE-äge.

Tolerances for Emamectin Benzoate

The use sites/crops on the proposed TREE-äge Section 24(c) label do not require tolerances.

Confidential Statement of Formula (CSF)

The Confidential Statement of Formula (CSF) for TREE-äge is Confidential Business Information (CBI) and Syngenta Crop Protections requests that all applicable Ohio law be used for its protection.

Summary

TREE -äge is the most efficacious product available for control of EAB. Although the formulation is not yet approved by EPA, Product Chemistry and Acute Toxicology studies have been conducted to determine the appropriate Hazard and Precautionary Language. Tolerances are not required for this crop use pattern.

Enclosed in support of this submission are:

- Draft Section 24(c) label for TREE-äge providing Directions for Use on ash
- Section 24(c) Booklet Label for container
- Draft Section 3 label pending at EPA
- EPA 8570-25 form
- MSDS for TREE-äge
- Letter of support from Dr. Daniel Herms, Department of Entomology, OARDC
- Efficacy Data from Dr. Deb McCullough, Michigan State University
- State of Ohio Pesticide Product Registration Form and check for \$150.00
- Syngenta submission on December 20, 2007 to EPA for TREE-äge Section 3 label
- EPA Letter dated December 27, 2007 passage of front-end screen
- EPA Letter dated December 31, 2007 assigning MRID numbers to studies
- Acute Toxicology Studies and Product Chemistry studies submitted to EPA. See Attachment 1 for list of studies
- Confidential Statement of Formula (in separate folder)

Mr. Bill Goodman March 20, 2008 Page 3

Syngenta believes it has included sufficient evidence to support approval of this application. However, please feel free to contact me at 1 (800) 334-9481, ext. 2146 if you have questions or require any further data or information.

Sincerely,

Larry Zang Senior Regulatory Manager

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Enclosures

CC: Dr. Daniel Herms

SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION

TREE-äge™ (EPA REG. NO 100-RGNO)

ACTIVE INGREDIENT Emamectin Benzoate

March 20, 2008

List of Submitted Documents

Acute Toxicology Studies

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FOR DISTRIBUTION AND USE ONLY WITHIN THE STATE OF OHIO TREE-ägeTM

EPA SLN No. OH-xxxxxx

For control of Emerald Ash Borer in Ash Trees (*Fraxinus spp.*), Tree Injection Only

Active Ingredient:	
Emamectin Benzoate ¹	4.0%
Other Ingredients:	96.0%
Total:	100.0%

¹CAS No.155569-91-8

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FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE AND PRECAUTIONS ON THIS LABEL MARESULT IN POOR INSECT CONTROL, AND/OR CROP INJURY,.



DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

Follow all applicable directions, restrictions, Worker Protection Standard requirements, and precautions on the TREE-äge container label.

This label must be in the possession of the user at the time of pesticide application.

APPLICATION TO ASH TREES (Fraxinus spp.)

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WHEN TO TREAT

TREE-äge contains the active ingredient emamectin benzoate which is a glycoside insecticide. It is active against larva and adult Emerald Ash Borer. The primary route of toxicity is through ingestion, but may also be lethal upon contact.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS: Uptake of TREE-äge is dependent upon the tree's transpiration. Transpiration is dependent on a number of abiotic and biotic factors, such as soil moisture, soil and ambient temperature, and time of day. For optimal uptake, apply when soil is moist, soil temperatures are above 45°F, ambient temperatures are between 40° to 90°F, and during the 24 hour period when transpiration is greatest, typically before 2:00 PM. Applications to drought or heat stressed trees may result in injury to tree tissue, poor treatment and subsequent control. Watering the trees prior to injection may enhance the uptake of TREE-äge.

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TREE-äge may also be effective as a curative treatment against Emerald Ash Borer. Adult foliar feeding may be controlled within one month after treatment. During the larval stage, Emerald Ash Borer attacks the stem and branches and will disrupt vascular tissue that may result in poor distribution of TREE-äge in an infested tree. However, control may be achieved if larvae come into contact or feed on TREE-äge treated tissues.

USE

Use as formulated or dilute with equivalent 1 to 3 volumes of water or more, as necessary.

USE RATE TABLE

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Tree Diameter (DBH) (Inches)	Low ml./tree	Medium ml./tree	Medium - High ml./tree	High ml./tree	Average No. Injection Sites*
4 to 6	15	25	50	-	3
7 to 9	20	40	80	-	4
10 to 12	30	55	110	165	5
13 to 15	35	70	140	210	6
16 to 18	40	75	150	225	7
19 to 21	50	100	200	300	8
22 to 24	-	115	230	345	10
25 to 27	-	130	260	390	11
28 to 30	_	145	290	435	12
31 to 33	-	160	320	480	13
34 to 36	-	175	350	525	15
37 to 39	840-	190	380	570	16
40 to 42	_	205	410	615	17
43 to 45	-	220	440	660	18
46 to 48	-	235	470	705	20
49 to 51	-	250	500	750	21
52 to 54	-	265	530	795	22
55 to 57	-	280	560	840	23
58 to 60	-	295	590	885	25
61 to 63	-	310	620	930	26
64 to 66	-	325	650	975	27
67 to 69	-	340	680	1020	28
70 to 72	-	355	710	1065	30

* The number of injection sites listed is a guide for approximately how many are needed per size of tree.

For optimal control, it is recommended to be with ± 1 injection site of this number per tree. Higher rates tend to provide longer residual and control of more difficult to control insects. See **Target Pest** for additional information in choosing the amount of product to apply.

Applications in Trees

Tree Tissue to Protect	Target Pest	Recommended Rate	Comments
Foliage, Shoot, Stem, Trunk and Branch	Emerald Ash Borer- Adult and Larval stages	Low to High	For optimal control apply at least 30 days before historical egg hatch or adult flight and to trees whose vascular tissue is not damaged. If vascular tissue is damaged or plugged by insect galleries, nematodes or fungi, uniform treatment and control may not be achieved.

Compatibility

Do not mix TREE-äge before injection with other products such as insecticides, fungicides, plant growth regulators, surfactants, adjuvants, and fertilizers.

RESTRICTIONS

- Do not apply to trees that may yield food consumed by humans or used in animal feed.
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24(c) registrant: Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. P.O. Box 18300 Greensboro, NC 27419-8300 Label Code: OHRGNOxxxAA0308

(24C booklet)

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EPA Est. 39578-TX-1

Product of China Formulated in the USA

SCP A22 0108

1.06 quarts (1 liter) Net Contents

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Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

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- shoes and socks
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Environmental Hazards

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Physical or Chemical Hazards

Do not use or store near heat or open flame.

CONDITIONS OF SALE AND LIMITATION OF WARRANTY AND LIABILITY

NOTICE: Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded.

The Directions for Use of this product must be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Crop injury, ineffectiveness or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, weather or crop conditions, presence of other materials or other influencing factors in the use of the product, which are beyond the control of SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, Inc. or Seller. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Buyer and User agree to hold SYNGENTA and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

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DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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APPLICATION TO TREES

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GENERAL DIRECTIONS

TREE-äge is designed for use with tree injection devices that meet the label and dose requirements (for example, the Arborjet Tree Injection Systems) for the control of listed pests of trees. Follow manufacturer's directions for equipment use.

Dosages are based on the Diameter (in inches) of the tree at Breast Height (DBH"). Breast height is a standardized distance of 54" from the ground. Often the diameter is determined from measuring the circumference of the tree at this height, and dividing circumference (in inches) by three (3). To determine DBH" for multi-stemmed woody ornamentals, measure the DBH" for each stem or branch and add together for the total DBH" per tree.

Placement of Application/Injection Sites: for optimum distribution, inject at the base of the tree. Inject into the stem within 12" of the soil, into the trunk flare or into tree roots exposing them by shallow excavation. Make applications into intact, healthy sapwood. Avoid injured areas or areas with decay. Select injection sites associated with stem growth.

Number of Injection Sites: Work around the tree, spacing injection sites approximately every 6.0 inches of tree's circumference.

Drill Depth: Drill through the bark then 5/8" to 1-5/8" (hardwoods) or 1-5/8" to 2" (conifers) into the sapwood with the appropriate sized drill bit. Use clean, sharp drill bits. Brad point bits are recommended. Precautions should be taken to avoid diseased areas and transferring infected tissues to other injection sites.

Resinous Conifers

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Compatibility

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RESTRICTIONS

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STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage and disposal.

Pesticide Storage

Store in a cool, dry place, away from children and pets. Keep from freezing.

Pesticide Disposal

Waste resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

Container Disposal

Triple rinse or equivalent. Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

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(24C non-detachable container label)

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In resinous conifers, such as pine and spruce, start the injection immediately after drilling into the sapwood. A prolonged delay may reduce uptake on account of resin flow into opening.

WHEN TO TREAT

TREE-äge contains the active ingredient emamectin benzoate which is a glycoside insecticide. It is active against immature and adult stages of arthropods. The primary route of toxicity is through ingestion, but may also be lethal upon contact.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS: Uptake of TREE-äge is dependent upon the tree's transpiration. Transpiration is dependent on a number of abiotic and biotic factors, such as soil moisture, soil and ambient temperature, and time of day. For optimal uptake, apply when soil is moist, soil temperatures are above 45°F, ambient temperatures are between 40° to 90°F, and during the 24 hour period when transpiration is greatest, typically before 2:00 PM. Applications to drought or heat stressed trees may result in injury to tree tissue, poor treatment and subsequent control. Watering the trees prior to injection may enhance the uptake of TREE-äge.

MONITOR TREE HEALTH and PEST INFESTATIONS: Effective injection treatment is favored by a full canopy (i.e., leaves) and healthy vascular system. Once these tissues are compromised by arthropod damage (larval galleries, defoliation, leaf mining, etc.) an effective and uniform application of TREE-äge may be difficult to achieve and subsequent control may be poor. Optimally, treatment should be made preventively at least 2 to 3 weeks before arthropods historically infest the host tree. As a result of systemic movement and longevity of TREE-äge in trees, this interval may be extended much earlier to 6 months should tree dormancy, adverse weather, management, asynchronous life cycle of pests, etc., allow earlier application timing.

TREE-äge may also be effective as a curative treatment against some pests, such as those with slower development or if multiple life stages are susceptible to TREE-äge. Foliar pests may be controlled within 1- 2 weeks after treatment under ideal conditions. Pests that attack the stem and branches such as bark beetles and clearwing borers may disrupt vascular tissue resulting in poor distribution in an infested tree. This includes the initial larval stages of pests, such as bark beetles and clearwing borers, that attack the stem and branches, which may disrupt vascular tissue resulting in poor distribution of the product in an infested tree. However, control may be achieved if larvae come into contact or feed on TREE-äge treated tissues.

USE

Use as formulated or dilute with equivalent 1 to 3 volumes of water or more, as necessary.

USE RATE TABLE

Tree Diameter	Low	Medium	Medium - High	High	Average No.
(DBH) (Inches)	ml./tree	ml./tree	ml./tree	ml./tree	Injection Sites*
4 to 6	15	25	50	-	3
7 to 9	20	40	80	-	4
10 to 12	30	55	110	165	5
13 to 15	35	70	140	210	6
16 to 18	40	75	150	225	7
19 to 21	50	100	200	300	8
22 to 24	-	115	230	345	10
25 to 27	•	130	260	390	11
28 to 30	-	145	290	435	12
31 to 33	-	160	320	480	13
34 to 36	-	175	350	525	15
37 to 39	-	190	380	570	16
40 to 42		205	410	615	17
43 to 45		220	440	660	18
46 to 48	-	235	470	705	20
49 to 51	-	250	500	750	21
52 to 54	•	265	530	795	22
55 to 57	-	280	560	840	23
58 to 60	-	295	590	885	25
61 to 63	•	310	620	930	26
64 to 66	-	325	650	975	27
67 to 69	-	340	680	1020	28
70 to 72	•	355	710	1065	30

^{*} The number of injection sites listed is a guide for approximately how many are needed per size of tree.

For optimal control, it is recommended to be with \pm 1 injection site of this number per tree. Higher rates tend to provide longer residual and control of more difficult to control insects. See **Target Pest** for additional information in choosing the amount of product to apply.

Applications in Trees

Applications	Applications in Trees						
Tree Tissue	Target Pest	Recommended Rate	Comments				
Seed and Cone	Pine Cone Worm (Dioryctria spp)	Medium to High	For optimal control apply in the fall for early season pests or at least 30 days before insect attack.				
Bud and Leaf	Bagworm Fall Webworm Gypsy Moth Leafminers (including Diptera, Lepidoptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera) Orange-striped Oakworm	Low to High	For optimal control apply at least 2-3 weeks before economic threshold is predicted.				
	Mites: Eryiophid mites European red mite Spruce spider mites Twospotted spider mite Sawfly Erythrina gall wasp	Low to High					
	Tent Caterpillars (including Eastern, Forest, Pacific, and Western) Western Spruce budworm Winter Moth	Low to Medium					
Shoot, Stem, Trunk and Branch	Buprestid Borers (Flathead borers including Emerald Ash Borer, Bronze birch borer, two-lined chestnut borer)	Low to High	For optimal control apply at least 30 days before				
	Clearwing borers Horntails	Low to Medium	historical egg hatch or adult flight and to trees whose vascular tissue is				
	Longhorn borers- (Roundhead borers including Asian, Eucalyptus, Pine Sawyer) Pine wood nematode Pales Weevil (Hylobius pales) Scolytids (bark beetles) Ips engraver beetles Mountain pine beetle Southern pine beetle Spruce beetle Western pine beetle White pine weevil	Medium to High	If vascular tissue is damaged or plugged by insect galleries, nematodes or fungi, uniform treatment and control may not be achieved.				

Compatibility

Do not mix TREE-äge before injection with other products such as insecticides, fungicides, plant growth regulators, surfactants, adjuvants, and fertilizers.

RESTRICTIONS

- Do not apply to trees that may yield food consumed by humans or used in animal feed.
- Avoid treating trees that are moisture stressed or suffering from herbicide damage.

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage and disposal.

Pesticide Storage

Store in a cool, dry place, away from children and pets. Keep from freezing.

Pesticide Disposal

Waste resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

Container Disposal

Triple rinse or equivalent. Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

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For non-emergency (e.g., current product information), call Syngenta Crop Protection at 1-800-334-9481.

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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. Post Office Box 18300

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Greensboro, NC 27419

1. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Product Name:

TREE-äge

EPA Signal Word:

Warning

Active Ingredient(%):

Emamectin Benzoate (4%)

CAS No.:

155569-91-8

Chemical Name:

Avermectin B1, 4"-deoxy-4"-(methylamino)-,(4"R)-, benzoate (salt)

Chemical Class:

Insecticide

EPA Registration Number(s): Not Available

Section(s) Revised: New

Product No.: A16297A

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Health and Environmental

Causes eye and skin irritation. May be harmful if swallowed. Harmful if inhaled. Vapors may cause drowsiness and dizziness.

Inhalation can cause irritation to the respiratory tract and can result in chemical pneumonitis if aspirated. Ingestion results in central nervous system effects such as muscle tremors, decreased activity, ataxia (unsteadiness or incoordination), and dilated pupils (mydriasis).

Hazardous Decomposition Products

May decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases.

Physical Properties

Appearance:

Blue liquid

Odor:

Aromatic

Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards

During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Material	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	Other	NTP/IARC/OSHA Carcinogen
Tetrahydrofurfuryl Alcohol (THFA)	Not Established	Not Established	2 ppm (TWA) ****	No
Emamectin Benzoate (4%)	Not Established	Not Established	0.02 mg/m³ TWA ***	No

*** Syngenta Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL)

**** Recommended by AIHA (American Industrial Hygiene Association)

Ingredients not precisely identified are proprietary or non-hazardous. Values are not product specifications. Syngenta Hazard Category: C, S

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Have the product container, label or Material Safety Data Sheet with you when calling Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison

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contol center or doctor, or going reatment.

Ingestion: If swallowed: Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment

advice. Do not give any liquid to the person. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so after calling 800-888-

8372 or by a poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Eye Contact: If in eyes: Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if

present, after 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or

doctor for treatment advice.

Skin Contact: If on skin or clothing: Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20

minutes. Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Inhalation: If inhaled: Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial

respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible. Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or

doctor for further treatment advice.

Notes to Physician

Contains petroleum distillate - vomiting may cause aspiration pneumonia.

Early signs of intoxication include dilation of pupils, muscular incoordination and muscular tremors. Vomiting within one-half hour of exposure can minimize toxicity following accidental ingestion of the product; rapidly after exposure (<15 minutes) administer repeatedly medical charcoal in a large quantity of water or ipecac. If toxicity from exposure has progressed to cause severe vomiting, the extent of resultant fluid and electrolyte imbalance should be gauged. Appropriate supportive parental fluid replacement therapy should be given, along with other required supportive measures (such as maintenance of blood pressure levels and proper respiratory functionality) as indicated by clinical signs, symptoms and measurements.

In severe cases, observations should continue for at least several days until clinical condition is stable and normal. Since emamectin benzoate is believed to enhance GABA activity in animals, it is probably wise to avoid drugs that enhance GABA activity (barbiturates, benzodiazepines, valproic acid) in patients with potentially toxic emamectin benzoate exposure.

Medical Condition Likely to be Aggravated by Exposure

None known.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Fire and Explosion

Flash Point (Test Method): > 226°F (Pensky-Martens CC)

Flammable Limits (% in Air): Lower: Not Applicable Upper: Not Applicable

Autoignition Temperature: 662°F

Flammability: Not Applicable

Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards

During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

In Case of Fire

Use dry chemical, foam or CO2 extinguishing media. Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus. Evacuate nonessential personnel from the area to prevent human exposure to fire, smoke, fumes or products of combustion. Prevent use of contaminated buildings, area, and equipment until decontaminated. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. If water is used to fight fire, dike and collect runoff.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

In Case of Spill or Leak

Control the spill at its source. Contain the spill to prevent from spreading or contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems or any body of water. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions outlined in Section 8. Cover entire spill with absorbing material and place into compatible disposal container. Scrub area with hard water detergent (e.g. commercial products such as Tide, Joy, Spic and Span). Pick up wash liquid with additional absorbent and place into compatible disposal container. Once all material is cleaned up and placed in a disposal container, seal container and arrange for disposition.

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7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Store the material in a well-ventilated, secure area out of reach of children and domestic animals. Do not store food, beverages or tobacco products in the storage area. Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco use, and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for exposure to the material. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION ARE INTENDED FOR THE MANUFACTURE, FORMULATION, PACKAGING AND USE OF THIS PRODUCT.

FOR COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS AND/OR ON-FARM APPLICATIONS CONSULT THE PRODUCT LABEL.

Ingestion: Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco usage and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for

exposure to the material. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

Eye Contact: Where eye contact is likely, use chemical splash goggles. Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be

equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.

Skin Contact: Where contact is likely, wear chemical-resistant gloves (such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber, nitrile rubber,

neoprene rubber, polyvinyl chloride [PVC] or Viton), coveralls, socks and chemical-resistant footwear. For

overhead exposure, wear chemical-resistant headgear.

Inhalation: A respirator is not normally required when handling this substance. Use effective engineering controls to

comply with occupational exposure limits.

In case of emergency spills, use a NIOSH approved respirator with any R, P or HE filter.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Blue liquid

Odor: Aromatic

Melting Point: Not Applicable
Boiling Point: Not Available

Specific Gravity/Density: 1.08 g/cm³ @ 68°F (20°C)

pH: 4.6 (1% solution in deionized H2O @ 77°F [25°C])

Solubility in H2O

Emamectin Benzoate: 30 - 50 ppm (pH 7)

Vapor Pressure

Emamectin Benzoate: 3 x 10(-8) mmHg @ 70°F (21°C)

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable under normal use and storage conditions.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Conditions to Avoid: None known.

Materials to Avoid: None known.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: May decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity/Irritation Studies (Finished Product)

Ingestion:

Oral (LD50 Female Rat): 3129 mg/kg body weight

Dermal:

Dermal (LD50 Rat) : > 5000 mg/kg body weight

Inhalation:

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Inhal (LC50 Rat):

> 2.54 mg/l air - 4 hol

Eye Contact:

Severely Irritating (Rabbit)

Skin Contact:

Slightly Irritating (Rabbit)

Skin Sensitization:

Not a Sensitizer (Guinea Pig)

Reproductive/Developmental Effects

Emamectin Benzoate: Developmental and reproductive toxicity observed in dosages that are toxic to mature animals.

Chronic/Subchronic Toxicity Studies

Emamectin Benzoate: Tremors and nerve lesions observed at lowest dose tested in rabbits. Bladder changes reported in

rats.

Carcinogenicity

Emamectin Benzoate: None observed.

Other Toxicity Information

None

Toxicity of Other Components

Tetrahydrofurfuryl Alcohol (THFA)

May be harmful if swallowed. Causes respiratory tract irritation. Causes skin irritation. May cause digestive tract irritation. Causes severe eye irritation. Inhalation overexposure may cause dizziness, incoordination and unconsciousness. Chronic overexposure may affect the kidney.

Target Organs

Active Ingredients

Emamectin Benzoate: Central nervous system, bladder

Inert Ingredients

Tetrahydrofurfuryl Alcohol (THFA): Digestive tract, respiratory tract, skin, eye, CNS, kidney

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Summary of Effects

Emamectin Benzoate:

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Ecotoxicity Effects

Emamectin Benzoate:

Fish (Rainbow Trout) 96-hour LC50 174 ppb

Fish (Bluegill Sunfish) 96-hour LC50 180 ppb

Green Algae 5-day EC50 > 3.9 ppb

Bird (Bobwhite Quail) LD50 Oral 264 mg/kg

Bee (Contact) LD50 0.0035 ug/bee

Invertebrate (Water Flea) 48-hour EC50 1.0 ppb

Environmental Fate

Emamectin Benzoate:

The information presented here is for the active ingredient, emamectin benzoate.

Low bioaccumulation potential. Persistent in soil. Stable in water. Immobile in soil. Sinks in water (after 24 h).

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal

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Do not reuse product container pispose of product containers, waste container de desidues according to local, state, and federal health and environmental regulations.

Characteristic Waste: Not Applicable Listed Waste: Not Applicable

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT Classification

Ground Transport - NAFTA Not regulated by US DOT.

Air Transport - NAFTA Not regulated by US DOT.

B/L Freight Classification

Insecticides, NOI, O/T Poison

Comments

Water Transport - International

Proper Shipping Name: Environmentally Hazardous Substance, Liquid, N.O.S. (Emamectin Benzoate), Marine Pollutant

Hazard Class or Division: Class 9 Identification Number: UN 3082

Packing Group: PG III IMDG EMS #: F-A, S-F

Air Transport - International

Proper Shipping Name: Environmentally Hazardous Substance, Liquid, N.O.S. (Emamectin Benzoate), Marine Pollutant

Hazard Class or Division: Class 9 Identification Number: UN 3082

Packing Group: PG III Packing Auth.: 914

Note: Max. inner container 5 liter; Max. single container 450 liter

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

EPCRA SARA Title III Classification

Section 311/312 Hazard Classes:

Acute Health Hazard

Section 313 Toxic Chemicals:

Not Applicable

California Proposition 65

Not Applicable

CERCLA/SARA 302 Reportable Quantity (RQ)

None

RCRA Hazardous Waste Classification (40 CFR 261)

Not Applicable

TSCA Status

Exempt from TSCA, subject to FIFRA

16. OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA Hazard Ratings		HMIS Hazard Ratings		0	Minimal
Health:	2	Health:	1	1	Slight
Flammability:	1	Flammability:	1	2	Moderate
Instability:	0	Reactivity:	0	3	Serious
•		,		4	Extreme

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For non-emergency questions about this product call:

1-800-334-9481

Original Issued Date:

11/30/2007

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Replaces:

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End of MSDS

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28 February 2008

To: William B. Goodman, Ohio Department of Agriculture

From: Daniel A. Herms

Subject: 24(c) registration for TREE-äge (Emamectin Benzoate) trunk injection in Ohio for

control of emerald ash borer

I am writing to support the application of Syngenta for a Section 24(c) registration for TREE-äge Insecticide (Emamectin Benzoate) systemic trunk injection for control of emerald ash borer (Agrilus planipennis). Emerald ash borer (EAB) has killed millions of otherwise healthy ash trees, and is spreading rapidly in Ohio due to expansion of the core infestation south from Michigan, and the numerous outlier populations throughout the state that resulted from artificial spread by human activities. Insecticide treatments provide the only available option for protecting high-value ash trees from being killed by emerald ash borer in infested areas. Trunk injections provide an advantage over the soil drenches, soil injections, and bark/canopy sprays that are labeled for emerald ash borer by greatly reducing environmental exposure, as the insecticide is injected directly into the tree.

Research in two different laboratories at Michigan State University found that efficacy of Emamectin Benzoate exceeds other systemic insecticide formulations tested to date. I am also researching Emamectin Benzoate at two study sites in Toledo, Ohio. These studies are in the early stages and pest pressure is still low, and our results should be considered preliminary. Thus far, however, colonization of untreated control trees by EAB is almost 300% higher than in trees treated with Emamectin Benzoate. In another study, we found that Emamectin Benzoate trunk injections provided 100% control of gypsy larvae on pin oak trees.

Research has shown that high-value ash trees can be protected from emerald ash borer with insecticides. In practice, though, existing products have provided inconsistent results in the field. If registered, Emamectin Benzoate would provide the arboriculture industry with an environmentally-friendly option that has been shown to be highly effective for controlling emerald ash borer in several controlled, replicated university trials.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Herms

Associate Professor and Associate Chair

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MICHIGAN STATE

February 1, 2008

Mr. Brian Hughes Michigan Dept. of Agriculture, PPPM Division PO Box 30017 Lansing, MI 48909

Subject: Section 24(C) request for 'Tree-Age' for control of emerald ash borer

Dear Brian,

This letter is in support of a Section 24(c) registration for emamectin benzoate, an insecticide that appears to be highly effective as a tree injection treatment for controlling emerald ash borer (Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire) (Coleoptera: Buprestidae). It is my understanding that Syngenta Crop Protection Inc. is seeking a Section 3 registration for this formulation from EPA under the name Tree-age, but approval is not expected until mid July 2008.

Background: As you know, emerald ash borer (EAB) is an invasive pest native to Asia that was discovered in North America in 2002. Currently, six states and the province of Ontario are dealing with EAB infestations. Adult beetles, active from mid May through August, feed on ash (*Fraxinus* sp.) foliage throughout their 3 to 6 week life span. Larvae feed in the phloem (inner bark) of the branches and trunk of ash trees during late summer and fall, disrupting the ability of the tree to transport nutrients and water (Cappaert et al. 2005).

Southeast Michigan, where EAB first became established (Siegert et al. 2007), has been severely affected by EAB. An estimated 25 million ash trees have been killed by EAB in this region alone. Additional populations of EAB continue to build in many areas of lower Michigan and two outlier populations were discovered in the Upper Peninsula last fall. More than 800 million ash trees growing in Michigan forests are likely to succumb as EAB populations expand. Millions of landscape ash trees planted by communities and private landowners are also vulnerable. A recent economic analysis predicted that EAB impacts on municipal landscape trees could cost Ohio communities \$1.8 to \$7.6 billion (Sydnor et al. 2007).

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Several insecticide products, primarily neo-nicotinoids, are currently being used to protect high-value ash trees in landscape settings from EAB. These systemic products are typically applied annually, via trunk injection or as a soil drench or soil injection. Several products appear to successfully protect some ash trees in some situations, especially if used for multiple years. Effectiveness of these treatments, however, varies depending on the product and application method, tree size and vigor, growing conditions and beetle density in the area. In a four-year study conducted in two Ann Arbor neighborhoods, for example, green ash and white ash trees were treated annually from 2003-2006 with three commonly used insecticides applied as trunk injections. By fall 2006, 40-100% of the treated trees had died and even the surviving trees exhibited at least 20% canopy dieback (McCullough et al. 2006, Cappaert et al. 2007).

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Moreover, none of the insecticide products currently registered for EAB control have been used in operational EAB programs to date. This is largely because efficacy of the treatments is difficult to predict and in general, efficacy is not sufficient to be acceptable to regulatory officials.

2007 Study design: In 2007, we initiated a study to assess the effectiveness of emamectin benzoate (applied as a trunk injection) for EAB control. We established a total of 25 randomized blocks at three different sites, enabling us to evaluate a range of tree size and growing conditions. Mean diameter at breast height (DBH) of trees used in the study ranged from 6.0 inches at the site with the smallest trees to 13.2 inches at the site with the largest trees. There were 6 to 12 trees per treatment at each of the three sites. Each block included seven trees of similar size, condition and location (total of 175 trees). Products tested, application rates and dates of application are presented in Table 1.

Our study was funded by grants from the USDA Forest Service and MSU's Project GREEEN. The private companies involved in production or distribution of the products we tested supplied the insecticides and in some cases, assisted with application. They did not directly fund the research nor were any representatives from these companies involved in data collection.

Evaluation: To evaluate the insecticide treatments, we assessed insecticide residues in foliage over time and conducted bioassays to evaluate survival of adult EAB beetles caged with leaves from treated trees. In addition, we quantified larval density on a subset of trees in fall.

Foliage samples were collected from 8 locations in each tree in mid June, early July, late July and mid August. Foliage was individually bagged and frozen for eventual residue analysis by USDA APHIS cooperators with ELISA (imidacloprid, dinotefuron) or MS/HPLC (emamectin benzoate) methods. Analysis of foliage samples is in progress.

Adult EAB bioassays: Bioassays were conducted in mid June, early July and late July to assess survival of adult EAB beetles caged with leaves from each study tree. On each foliage sampling date, two leaves from opposite sides of each tree were selected for the bioassays. We placed three, apparently healthy, 4-8 day-old beetles with each leaf for four days. Beetle survival and feeding activity were monitored daily over the four days of the bioassay period.

By Day 4, mortality of beetles caged with leaves from the untreated control trees averaged 35%, 16% and 18%, respectively, in the June 15, July 11 and August 1 bioassays (Fig. 1). Mortality of beetles caged with leaves from trees treated with imidacloprid or dinotefuron ranged from 32% to 81% in the June 15 bioassay, but mortality rates dropped in subsequent bioassays. These mortality rates and the decline in foliage toxicity over time are similar to results from previous studies we have conducted with EAB.

Notably, however, we observed 100% mortality of beetles caged with leaves from emamectin benzoate trees in all three bioassay periods (Fig. 1). We have not previously recorded 100% EAB mortality in any bioassay with any of the insecticide products tested during the past three years.

Larval density: Larval density was assessed in late September by felling and debarking areas on the trunk and in the canopy of trees. We felled three blocks of trees at the 7-L site and four blocks of trees at the IS site (49 total trees) to estimate larval density in 2007. The remaining blocks of trees were left intact so that they can be re-treated and monitored through 2008.

At the 7-L site, we excavated at least 9-12 bark windows per tree on the 21 trees that were felled. Each bark window was ≥ 500 cm² in area. At the IS site, we excavated at least 32 windows per tree on the 28 trees that were felled. All seven trees treated with emamectin benzoate, however, were completely debarked to quantify larval density on the trunk and branches > 6 cm diam. Larval density, stage and viability were recorded and standardized per m² of phloem.

Larval density varied considerably within and among treatments, as expected. Larval density on the untreated control trees at the IS site averaged 68 (SE \pm 33.3) larvae per m². Average larval density on IS trees treated with either an imidacloprid product or dinotefuron ranged from 14 to 75 larvae per m². At the 7-L site, larval density on untreated controls averaged 132 (± 78.75) larvae per m², while average larval density on trees treated with imidacloprid or dinotefuron ranged from 37 to 62 larvae per m².

The efficacy of the emamectin benzoate, however, was striking. When we completely debarked the seven emamectin benzoate trees, we exposed more than 40 m² of phloem. We found a total of only 8 live larvae, equivalent to 0.19 larvae per m². There were no more than 3 live larvae on any of the trees and 2 of the trees had zero live larvae. Overall, emamectin benzoate provided > 99% control of EAB, relative to untreated controls. We recovered a total of 81 dead EAB larvae on the seven trees, most of which were late instars. Results from the larval sampling, combined with the adult bioassay data, indicate that emamectin benzoate probably acts primarily on adult EAB and/or neonate larvae; otherwise we would have expected to find hundreds of dead late stage larvae on the trees. Moreover, because emamectin benzoate affected adult EAB and/or neonate larvae, the trees sustained little injury.

Summary: Although we have conducted research with various systemic insecticides since EAB was identified in 2002 (Cappaert et al. 2006, 2007; McCullough et al. 2005, 2006, 2007), we have never observed this level of control. We plan to continue and expand our research with emamectin benzoate to assess product persistence and related issues. In my opinion, however, our 2007 data indicate that the emamectin benzoate treatment provided a level of EAB control that is remarkably superior to that provided by any of the other products we have evaluated.

Given the results of our 2007 study, the wide distribution of EAB in lower Michigan and the potentially staggering impacts of EAB on urban ash trees, I believe that approval of a 24(c) registration for use of emamectin benzoate is justified. I expect that there will be considerable interest in using emamectin benzoate to treat ash trees in landscapes as soon as it becomes available. In addition, emamectin benzoate could potentially have a role in operational programs that may be implemented to slow the spread of EAB across the U.S.

I appreciate your attention and interest in this matter. If I can be of further assistance or provide more information, please let me know.

Deborah G. McCullough

Professor

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Table 1. Insecticide products and application methods evaluated in 2007.

Product	Active ingredient (a.i.)	Application method	Date applied	Rate (g a.i./DBH inch)
Control		None		0
Imicide (10%)	imidacloprid	Mauget capsules; trunk injection	May 22	0.06
Macho 2F (21.4%)	imidacloprid	Trunk spray	May 4	1.70
Macho 2F + Pentra-Bark*	imidacloprid	Trunk spray	May 4	1.70
Safari (20%)	dinotefuron	Trunk spray	May 31	1.70
Safari + Pentra- Bark*	dinotefuron	Trunk spray	May 31	1.70
Emamectin	Emamectin	Arbor-jet	May 22	$0.10 \text{ g for dbh} \leq 6.5$ "
benzoate	benzoate	micro-injector;		0.15 for dbh 6.5-10"
		Trunk injection		0.20 for dbh ≥ 10"

^{*3} oz Pentra-Bark per gallon

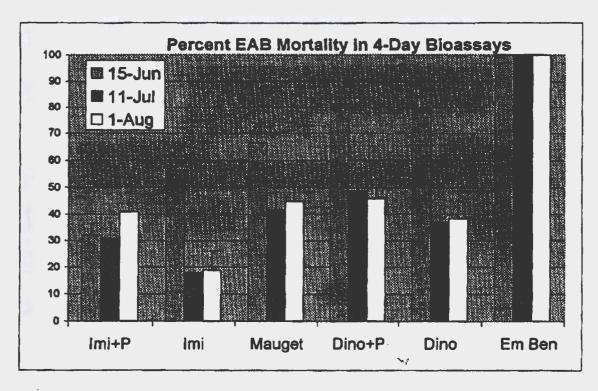


Fig. 1. Average percentage mortality (\pm SE) (corrected to controls) of adult emerald ash borers caged with leaves from trees treated with insecticides in the 2007 study. N = 25 trees per treatment.



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Attention: John Hebert, PM Team 4B

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF NEW PRODUCT REQUIRING

LIMITED DATA REVIEW WITHIN RD: TREEÄGE, EPA REG. NO. 100-XXXX

Dear Mr. Hebert.

Enclosed please find the following information, which is being provided in support of a request for registration of a new non-food outdoor product containing emamectin benzoate:

- Receipt of PRIA II prepayment
- Application for Registration, EPA Form 8570-1
- Confidential Statement of Formula, EPA Form 8570-4
- Data matrices for active ingredient and end-use product
- Certification with Respect to Citation of Data, EPA Form 8570-34
- Three copies (3) each of a transmittal document and eight (8) data volumes containing product chemistry and acute toxicity data for the formulation
- Five (5) copies of draft product labeling and a (CD) with a pdf of the label
- Certification with Respect to Label Integrity form

This product is to be used only in tree-injection systems for control of wood-boring insect pests of various coniferous and deciduous tree species in forest and ornamental settings.

Because of the product's proposed use pattern as a tree injection, Syngenta asserts that environmental exposure to this active ingredient outside the treated tree will be minimal. Further, exposure to workers handling this product will be extremely limited given the delivery system, which does not possess much potential for significant human exposure. Studies have shown that emamectin benzoate, injected into the phloem of a tree, is able to maintain excellent efficacy for extended periods of time, with little or no chemical expected to leave the target tree(s). This unique combination of traits makes this compound and product ideal for control of wood-boring pests such as the Emerald Ash Borer, an economically significant pest, which is responsible for destruction of large tracts of Ash trees in Michigan and other Midwest states. Presently there is a federal government quarantine in effect because of the seriousness of the Emerald Ash Borer outbreak in the US.



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Therefore, because of the unique characteristics of this compound and application technique, coupled with the near crisis situation with respect to the Emerald Ash Borer outbreak in the Midwest, Syngenta believes that there is a very significant and urgent need for such a product. Syngenta would be happy to present further information on the type of application/use of this product in a meeting sometime in late January 2008. Because the Agency reviewers and staff may find it useful for this meeting prior to the start of the formal review process, please contact me at (336) 632-7207 at your earliest convenience to arrange for such a discussion, and/or if there are any questions concerning the submission itself.

Since there are already outdoor use patterns registered for emamectin benzoate (Proclaim® and Denim®), and given the low exposure potential of the use being proposed, Syngenta suggests that the appropriate PRIA II fee category for this action is proposed as a R-310, with a fee of \$4,360 and a processing timeline of 6 months. Attached is the receipt of payment for this amount.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Parshley

NAFTA Senior Regulatory Product Manager

Syngenta Regulatory Affairs

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Enclosures

\$EPA	Environmental Protection Agency Washington, DC 20460				Amendment Other	OPP Identifier Number
	1	Application	for Pesticide - Se	ction I		
. Company/Product Nu 100-XXXX			2. EPA Produ John Hebert		ger	3. Proposed Classification
4. Company/Product (Name) Treeäge			PM# 4B			None Restricted
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Regulatory Product Manager

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Certification

5. Date

December 20, 2007

I certify that the statements I have made on this form and all attachments thereto are true, accurate and complete. I acknowledge that any knowingly false or misleading statement may be punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under applicable law.

4. Typed Name
Thomas Parshley
EPA Form 8570-1 (Rev. 8-94) Previous editions are obsolete.

Thomas Parshley

Thomas Standey

2. Signature

Telephone No. (Include Area Code)

Date Application

Received (Stamped)

336-632-7207

VOLUME 1 OF 9 OF SUBMISSION (TRANSMITTAL DOCUMENT)

1. Name and Address of Submitter

Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. P.O. Box 18300 Greensboro, NC 27419

2. Regulatory Action in Support of which this Package is Submitted

Application For Registration of New Product Requiring Limited Data Review Within RD: Treeäge, EPA Reg. No. 100-XXXX

3. Transmittal Date

12/20/2007

4. List of Submitted Studies

MRID NUMBER	VOLUME NUMBER	STUDY TITLE	EPA GUIDELINE NUMBER
	1 OF 9	Transmittal document	NA
	2 OF 9	A16297A -Manufacturing Process Description and Supporting Data for Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A); (PC-07-084), (09003aeb80273dda), (462236)	830.1550, 830.1600, 830.1650, 830.1670, 830.1750, 830.1800
	3 OF 9	A16297A -Physical and Chemical Properties of Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A); (PC-07-085), (09003aeb80273dda), (462237)	830.6302, 830.6303, 830.6304, 830.6314, 830.6315, 830.6316, 830.6319, , 830.7000, 830.7100, 830.7300
	4 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Acute Oral Toxicity Up-and-Down Procedure in Rats; (T007407-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462221)	870.1100

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	5 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Acute Dermal Toxicity in Rats; (T007408-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462223)	870.1200
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	9 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Dermal Sensitization Test - Buehler Method; (T007411-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462229)	870.2600

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Certification with Respect to Label Integrity

Version: 9/11/02

I certify that the information (including, but not limited to, text, tables, and graphics) contained in the electronic file identified below by file name and submitted with this certification is the same information as that on the paper copies of these documents included with this submission.

PROPOSED LABEL					
EPA Registration #	Date Submitted to EPA	Electronic file name			
100-ххххх	December 20, 2007	000100-xxxx.20071220.treeage.pdf			

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December 20, 2007
Inature Date

Thomas J Parshley

Name (typed)

Sr. Regulatory Product

Manager

Title

(Master label)

TREE-äge™

Injected insecticide for the control for arthropod pest in trees

Active Ingredient:	
Emmamectin Benzoate ¹	4.0%
Other Ingredients:	96.0%
Total:	100.0%

¹CAS No.155569-91-8

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

WARNING/AVISO

Si usted no entiende la étiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle. (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

See additional precautionary statements and directions for use on label[in booklet].

EPA Reg. No. 100-xxxxx

EPA Est. xxxxx

Product of xxxxx
Formulated in xxxxx

SCP xxxxxA-M(draft TREE-äge)

Net Contents

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals

WARNING/AVISO

Causes substantial but temporary eye injury. Do not get in eyes or on clothing. Wear protective eyewear. Harmful if swallowed. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, chewing gum, or using tobacco. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

	FIRST AID
If in eyes	 Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
If swallowed	 Call poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip glass of water if able to swallow. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by the poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

Early signs of intoxication include dilation of pupils, muscular incoordination, and muscular tremors. Vomiting within one-half hour of exposure can minimize toxicity following accidental ingestion of the product; rapidly after exposure (< 15 minutes) administer repeatedly medical charcoal in a large quantity of water or ipecac. If toxicity from exposure has progressed to cause severe vomiting, the extent of resultant fluid and electrolyte imbalance should be gauged. Appropriate supportive parenteral fluid replacement therapy should be given, along with other required supportive measures (such as maintenance of blood pressure levels and proper respiratory functionality) as indicated by clinical signs, symptoms, and measurements. In severe cases, observations should continue for at least several days until clinical condition is stable and normal. Since emamectin benzoate is believed to enhance GABA activity in animals, it is probably wise to avoid drugs that enhance GABA activity (barbiturates, benzodiazepines, valproic acid) in patients with potentially toxic emamectin benzoate exposure.

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment.

HOT LINE NUMBER

For 24-Hour Medical Emergency Assistance (Human or Animal), Or Chemical Emergency Assistance (Spill, Leak, Fire or Accident) Call

1-800-888-8372

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

- long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- shoes and socks
- protective eyewear

Environmental Hazards

This product is highly toxic to fish, mammals and aquatic invertebrates. Do not apply directly to water, to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwater. This product is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment or residues on blooming trees.

Physical or Chemical Hazards

Do not use or store near heat or open flame.

CONDITIONS OF SALE AND LIMITATION OF WARRANTY AND LIABILITY

NOTICE: Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded.

The Directions for Use of this product must be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Ineffectiveness or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, presence of other materials or other influencing factors in the use of the product, which are beyond the control of SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, Inc. or Seller. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Buyer and User agree to hold SYNGENTA and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

SYNGENTA warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated in the Directions for Use, subject to the inherent risks referred to above, when used in accordance with directions under normal use conditions. To the extent permitted by applicable law: (1) this warranty does not extend to the use of the product contrary to label instructions or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to or beyond the control of Seller or SYNGENTA, and, (2) Buyer and User assume the risk of any such use. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, SYNGENTA MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE NOR ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY EXCEPT AS WARRANTED BY THIS LABEL.

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DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

IMPORTANT: Read entire label before using this product. Failure to follow label instructions may result in poor control or tree injury. Failure to follow label directions may cause injury to people, animals and environment.

APPLICATION TO TREES

TREE-äge is for control of mature and immature arthropod pests of trees, including, but not limited to, those growing in residential and commercial landscapes, parks, plantations, seed orchards, and forested sites (in private, municipal, state, tribal and national areas). TREE-äge contains the active ingredient emamectin benzoate and is formulated to translocate in the tree's vascular system when injected. To assure optimum effectiveness, this product must be placed into active sapwood.

GENERAL DIRECTIONS

TREE-äge is designed for use with tree injection devices that meet the label and dose requirements [(for example, the Arborjet Tree Injection Systems)] for the control of listed pests of trees. Follow manufacturer's directions for equipment use.

Dosages are based on the Diameter (in inches) of the tree at Breast Height (DBH"). Breast height is a standardized distance of 54" from the ground. Often the diameter is determined from measuring the circumference of the tree at this height, and dividing circumference (in inches) by three (3). To determine DBH" for multi-stemmed woody ornamentals, measure the DBH" for each stem or branch and add together for the total DBH" per tree.

Placement of Application/Injection Sites: for optimum distribution, inject at the base of the tree. Inject into the stem within 12" of the soil, into the trunk flare or into tree roots exposing them by shallow excavation. Make applications into intact, healthy sapwood. Avoid injured areas or areas with decay. Select injection sites associated with stem growth.

Number of Injection Sites: Work around the tree, spacing injection sites approximately every 6.0 inches of tree's circumference.

Drill Depth: Drill through the bark then 5/8" to 1-5/8" (hardwoods) or 1-5/8" to 2" (conifers) into the sapwood with the appropriate sized drill bit. Use clean, sharp drill bits. Brad point bits are recommended. Precautions should be taken to avoid diseased areas and transferring infected tissues to other injection sites.

Resinous Conifers

In resinous conifers, such as pine and spruce, start the injection immediately after drilling into the sapwood. A prolonged delay may reduce uptake on account of resin flow into opening.

WHEN TO TREAT

TREE-äge contains the active ingredient emamectin benzoate which is a glycoside insecticide. It is active against immature and adult stages of arthropods. The primary route of toxicity is through ingestion, but may also be lethal upon contact.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS: Uptake of TREE-äge is dependent upon the tree's transpiration. Transpiration is dependent on a number of abiotic and biotic factors, such as soil moisture, soil and ambient temperature, and time of day. For optimal uptake, apply when soil is moist, soil temperatures are above 45°F, ambient temperatures are between 40° to 90°F, and during the 24 hour period when transpiration is greatest, typically before 2:00 PM. Applications to drought or heat stressed trees may result in injury to tree tissue, poor treatment and subsequent control. Watering the trees prior to injection may enhance the uptake of TREE-äge.

MONITOR TREE HEALTH and PEST INFESTATIONS: Effective injection treatment is favored by a full canopy (i.e., leaves) and healthy vascular system. Once these tissues are compromised by arthropod damage (larval galleries, defoliation, leaf mining, etc.) an effective and uniform application of TREE-äge may be difficult to achieve and subsequent control may be poor. Optimally, treatment should be made preventively at least 2 to 3 weeks before arthropods historically infest the host tree. As a result of systemic movement and longevity of TREE-äge in trees, this interval may be extended much earlier to 6 months should tree dormancy, adverse weather, management, asynchronous life cycle of pests, etc., allow earlier application timing.

TREE-äge may also be effective as a curative treatment against some pests, such as those with slower development or if multiple life stages are susceptible to TREE-äge. Foliar pests may be controlled within 1- 2 weeks after treatment under ideal conditions. Pests that attack the stem and branches such as bark beetles and clearwing borers may disrupt vascular tissue resulting in poor distribution in an infested tree. This includes the initial larval stages of pests, such as bark beetles and clearwing borers, that attack the stem and branches, which may disrupt vascular tissue resulting in poor distribution of the product in an infested tree. However, control may be achieved if larvae come into contact or feed on TREE-äge treated tissues.

USE

Use as formulated or dilute with equivalent 1 to 3 volumes of water or more, as necessary.

USE RATE TABLE

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Tree Diameter (DBH) (Inches)	Low ml./tree	Medium ml./tree	Medium - High ml./tree	High ml./tree	Average No. Injection Sites*	
4 to 6	15	25	50	-	3	
7 to 9	20	40	80	-	4	
10 to 12	30	55	110	165	5	
13 to 15	35	70	140	210	6	
16 to 18	- 40	75	150	225	7	
19 to 21	50	100	200	300	8	
22 to 24	-	115	230	345	10	
25 to 27	-	130	260	390	11	
28 to 30	-	145	290	435	12	
31 to 33	-	160	320	480	13	
34 to 36	•	175	350	525	15	
37 to 39	•	190	380	570	16	
40 to 42	•	205	410	615	17	
43 to 45	-	220	440	660	18	
46 to 48	100.500	235	470	705	20	
49 to 51	-	250	500	750_	21	
52 to 54	•	265	530	795	22	
55 to 57	-	280	560	840	23	
58 to 60	-	295	590	885	25	
61 to 63	-	310	620	930	26	
64 to 66	-	325	650	975	27	
67 to 69	-	340	680	1020	28	
70 to 72	•	355	710	1065	30	

^{*} The number of injection sites listed is a guide for approximately how many are needed per size of tree.

For optimal control, it is recommended to be with \pm 1 injection site of this number per tree. Higher rates tend to provide longer residual and control of more difficult to control insects. See **Target Pest** for additional information in choosing the amount of product to apply.

Applications	Applications in Trees						
Tree Tissue	Target Pest	Recommended Rate	Comments				
Seed and Cone	Pine Cone Worm (Dioryctria spp)	Medium to High	For optimal control apply in the fall for early season pests or at least 30 days before insect attack.				
Bud and Leaf	Bagworm Fall Webworm Gypsy Moth Leafminers (including Diptera, Lepidoptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera) Orange-striped Oakworm	Low to High	For optimal control apply at least 2-3 weeks before economic threshold is predicted.				
	Mites: Eryiophid mites European red mite Spruce spider mites Twospotted spider mite Sawfly Erythrina gall wasp	Low to High	•				
	Tent Caterpillars (including Eastern, Forest, Pacific, and Western) Western Spruce budworm Winter Moth	Low to Medium .					
Shoot, Stem, Trunk and Branch	Buprestid Borers (Flathead borers including Emerald Ash Borer, Bronze birch borer, two-lined chestnut borer)	Low to High	For optimal control apply at least 30 days before historical egg hatch or adult flight and to trees whose vascular tissue is not damaged. If vascular tissue is damaged or plugged by insect galleries, nematodes or fungi, uniform treatment and control may not be achieved.				
	Clearwing borers Horntails	Low to Medium					
	Longhorn borers- (Roundhead borers including Asian, Eucalyptus, Pine Sawyer) Pine wood nematode Pales Weevil (Hylobius pales) Scolytids (bark beetles) Ips engraver beetles Mountain pine beetle Southern pine beetle Spruce beetle Western pine beetle White pine weevil	Medium to High					

Compatibility

Do not mix TREE-äge before injection with other products such as insecticides, fungicides, plant growth regulators, surfactants, adjuvants, and fertilizers.

RESTRICTIONS

- Do not apply to trees that may yield food consumed by humans or used in animal feed.
- Avoid treating trees that are moisture stressed or suffering from herbicide damage.

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage and disposal.

Pesticide Storage

Store in a cool, dry place, away from children and pets. Keep from freezing.

Pesticide Disposal

Waste resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

Container Disposal

Triple rinse or equivalent. Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

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For non-emergency (e.g., current product information), call Syngenta Crop Protection at 1-800-334-9481.

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

December 27, 2007

OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

OPP Decision Number: D-387891

EPA File Symbol or Registration Number: 100-RGNO

Product Name: TREEAGE EPA Receipt Date: 21-Dec-2007 EPA Company Number: 100

Company Name: SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.

G. THOMAS GALE, JR.

SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC.

ATTN: REGULATORY AFFAIRS

PO Box 18300

GREENSBORO, NC 27419-8300

SUBJECT: Receipt of Registration Application Subject to Registration Service Fee

Dear Registrant:

The Office of Pesticide Programs has received your application and certification of payment. If you submitted data with this application, the results of the PRN-86-5 screen will be communicated separately. During the administrative screen, the Office of Pesticide Programs has determined that this Action is subject to a Pesticide Registration Service Fee as defined in the Pesticide Registration Improvement Act.

The Action has been identified as Action Code: R310

NEW PRODUCT; NON-FAST TRACK (INCLUDES REVIEWS OF PRODUCT CHEMISTRY; ACUTE TOXICITY; PUBLIC HEALTH PEST EFFICACY);

No additional payment is due at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact the Pesticide Registration Service Fee Ombudsman at (703) 305-6249.

Sincerely,

Teresa ?

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SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, INC. PO Box 18300 GREENSBORO, NC 27419-8300

Report of Analysis for Compliance with PR Notice 86-5

Thank you for your submittal of 21-DEC-07. Our staff has completed a preliminary analysis of the material. The results are provided as follows:

Your submittal was found to be in full compliance with the standards for submission of data contained in PR Notice 86-5. A copy of your bibliography is enclosed, annotated with Master Record ID's (MRIDs) assigned to each document submitted. Please use these numbers in all future references to these documents. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions concerning this data submission, please raise them with the cognizant Product Manager, to whom the data have been released.

VOLUME 1 OF 9 OF SUBMISSION (TRANSMITTAL DOCUMENT)

1. Name and Address of Submitter

Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. P.O. Box 18300 Greensboro, NC 27419

2. Regulatory Action in Support of which this Package is Submitted

Application For Registration of New Product Requiring Limited Data Review Within RD: Treeäge, EPA Reg. No. 100-XXXX

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3. Transmittal Date

12/20/2007

4. List of Submitted Studies

MRID NUMBER	VOLUME NUMBER	STUDY TITLE	EPA GUIDELINE NUMBER
	1 OF 9	Transmittal document	NA
47309301	2 OF 9	A16297A -Manufacturing Process Description and Supporting Data for Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A); (PC-07-084), (09003aeb80273dda), (462236)	830.1550, 830.1600, 830.1650, 830.1670, 830.1750, 830.1800
47309302	3 OF 9	A16297A -Physical and Chemical Properties of Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A); (PC-07-085), (09003aeb80273dda), (462237)	830.6302, 830.6303, 830.6304, 830.6314, 830.6315, 830.6316, 830.6319, , 830.7000, 830.7100, 830.7300
47309303	4 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Acute Oral Toxicity Up-and-Down Procedure in Rats; (T007407-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462221)	870.1100

MRID	VOLUME	STUDY	EPA GUIDELINE	
NUMBER	NUMBER	TITLE	NUMBER	
47309304	5 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Acute Dermal Toxicity in Rats; (T007408-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462223)	870.1200	
47309305	6 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Acute Inhalation Toxicity in Rats; (T007412-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462231)	870.1300	
47309306	7 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Primary Eye Irritation in Rabbits; (T007410-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462227)	87(-2400	
47309307	8 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Primary Skin Irritation in Rabbits; (T007409-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462225)	870.2500	
47309308	9 OF 9	Emamectin Benzoate ME (042.9) (A16297A) -Dermal Sensitization Test - Buehler Method; (T007411-06), (09003aeb80273dda), (462229)	870.2600	

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